

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The people of the state of South Dakota have been fortunate to be the recipients of the endeavors of a special class of individuals devoted to making our state number one in the transportation field; and,

Whereas, LaVonne Kelly began her extensive career with the Department of Highways in Pierre, South Dakota, on June 5, 1959, and rumor has it she had to go to the grocery store in Isabel to use their phone to accept her position; and,

Whereas, LaVonne has been a loving and devoted wife to Bill, mother to Billy and Karmen and a devoted grandmother of five, always enthusiastically enjoying their school and sports activities; and,

Whereas, LaVonne is involved in the American Legion Auxiliary of Ft. Pierre, Women of the Moose, Wednesday night bowling league, and is an avid walker during her lunch hour at the YMCA. In previous years, she could also be seen marching in parades, proudly playing her kazoo; and,

Whereas, LaVonne has served the people of this great state for 45 years and 3 days, always with energetic enthusiasm and a smile, and chose to retire on June 8, 2004, in order to pursue other interests and enjoy the companionship of her family; and,

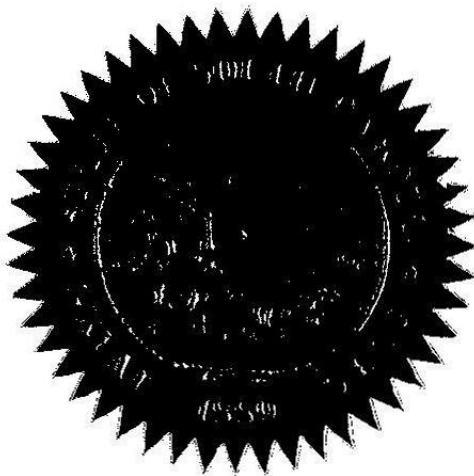
Whereas, LaVonne's co-workers will honor her on June 28, 2004, in order to show their appreciation for her many years of service to the citizens of South Dakota:

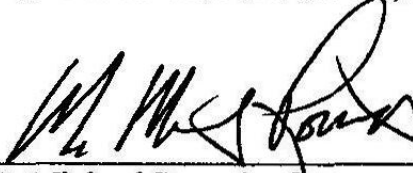
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 28, 2004, as

LAVONNE KELLY DAY


in South Dakota, and I join her co-workers, family and friends in congratulating her on this well-earned retirement and wishing her a long, healthy, peaceful and enjoyable retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-third Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.




M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State